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SUBJ: US CONTRIBUTION TO UN CEMETERY IN KOREA

REFS: USUN 852 (NOTAL); USUN 468 (NOTAL)

1. DUTCH DEPUTY PERM REP VAN DER LLAAUW ON MAY 22 AGAIN ASKED US STATUS WITHIN USG OF COMMITMENT OT CONTRIBUTE TO MAINTENANCE OF UN CEMETERY. MISOFF TOLD VAN DER KLAAUW THAT ALTHOUGH USUN NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR ABOUT REASON FOR DELAY, WE UNDERSTOOD THAT PRINCIPAL DIFFICULTY WAS TO IDENTIFY PRECISE SOURCE OF FUNDS WHICH WE WOULD CONTRIBUTE.

2. VAN DER KLAAUW SAID THAT HE IS PROVIDING A STATUS REPORT TO THE HAGUE TO ENABLE GON TO RAISE MATTER WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY RUSH DURING JUNE VISIT. VAN DER KLAAUW STRESSED THAT USG WAS ONLY GOVT THAT HAD NOT AGREED TO DUTCH FORMULA AND THAT GON WAS ANXIOUS TO GET MATTER CLEARED UP.

3. GIVEN COMPARATIVELY SMALL AMOUNT OF FUNDS INVOLVED, AND IN LIGHT OF REPEATED DUTCH INQUIRIES ABOUT THIS, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD HELP AVOID EMBARRASSMENT IF DEPARTMENT COULD MAKE FINAL DECISION BEFORE DEPUTY SECRETARY'S VISIT.

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